

HCS HB 2367 -- STATEWIDE COURT AUTOMATION FUND

SPONSOR: McGaugh

COMMITTEE ACTION: Voted "Do Pass" by the Standing Committee on Civil and Criminal Proceedings by a vote of 11 to 0. Voted "Do Pass" by the Select Committee on Judiciary by a vote of 8 to 0.

The Statewide Court Automation Fund fee is set to expire on September 1, 2018; this bill extends the expiration date to September 1, 2023. The Court Automation Committee is currently required to complete its duties prior to September 1, 2020, this bill extends that date to September 1, 2025.

The Basic Civil Legal Services Fund is currently set to expire on December 31, 2018. This bill extends the expiration dates to December 31, 2025.

The bill adds the executive director of the Missouri office of prosecution services and the director of the state public defender system as members of the court automation committee.

PROPONENTS: Supporters say that this bill will extend the sunset provisions for the statewide court automation fund and the basic civil legal services fund.

Testifying for the bill were Representative McGaugh; Legal Aid Of Western Missouri; Missouri Prosecuting Attorneys/Missouri Public Defenders; Supreme Court Of Missouri; Missouri Association Of Prosecuting Attorneys; Missouri State Public Defenders; and Gary Lynch, Missouri Court Automation Committee.

OPPONENTS: There was no opposition voiced to the committee.